

REMARKS

Claims 1-34 are pending in this application. In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement set forth in the February 23, 2005 Office Action, Applicants provisionally elect for prosecution with traverse, species A illustrated in Figures 3-6 and claims 1-23 and 32-34 readable thereon.

The Examiner's reconsideration of the requirement to restrict the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has not set forth any reasons pertaining to why the designated species are patentably distinct. Pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 816, "[t]he particular reasons relied on by the examiner for holding that the inventions as claimed are either independent or distinct should be concisely stated. A mere statement of conclusion is inadequate. The reasons upon which the conclusion is based should be given." Because the Examiner has not provided any reasons for the restriction requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that the restriction requirement is not proper and should be withdrawn.

An early and favorable consideration of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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